

IMPORTANT DATES

Please check our planner on the website which is regularly updated.

[Home - Epping Heights Public School \(nsw.gov.au\)](https://www.nsw.gov.au)

You can also connect it with your google calendar

[Epping Heights Parent planner \(google.com\)](#)

20 November Yr 5 2025 Selective HS applications close

20 November P&C AGM

23 November House captain voting

24 November String auditions

28 November HS Orientation day

28 November K-2 crazy hair and lunchtime disco

29 November 3-6 crazy hair and lunchtime disco

30 November Cheltenham Girls HS Orientation day

1 December P & C Carols by candlelight

20, 23, 24 November P & C lunch food service open

SAVE THE DATES

5 Dec Presentation Day assembly

6 Dec Epping Club choir performance

8 Dec Helpers morning tea

ENROL NOW FOR KINDER 2024.

[Enrolment - Epping Heights Public School \(nsw.gov.au\)](https://www.nsw.gov.au)

NEWSLETTER

TERM 4 | Week 6 | November 2023

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Our students are respectful and responsible citizens and this was evident at the Remembrance Day service last Friday. Good manners and respect start at home and are developed in partnership with school. I often hear comments from community members about how lovely and polite and respectful our students are. This is a huge credit also to you as parents. Congratulations to our student leaders who capably led the assembly and to Irene, Ian, Anthony, Anneliese and Lily who also represented our school at the RSL service on Saturday 11 November. Well done to Robert and Anastatia who played such hard pieces of music for us and to the senior choir who sang so beautifully.



Thank you to Mrs Henderson and Ms Moran who organised the service and to our special guests and Grandparents who joined us. It was also lovely to be able to celebrate Grandparents day by sharing a picnic recess. Grandparents play an important role in children's lives and we know many help with school drop off, pick up and care of students. Thank you to our grandparent community.



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NEWSLETTER

Family support

We understand and respect that families are different. If at any time, your family needs support such as financial assistance or for separation, divorce or bereavement please contact me (Ms Bridekirk) directly. You can do this by sending an email to the office marked confidential and I will call you to make a time to speak. We are here to help and support your child. We have access to resources to support your child and connect your family.

It is important for us to know about any court orders or AVOs so we are able to adhere to them. While the school does not get involved in family matters, it is vital that we are informed and can ensure we are following the court orders in relation to contact and communication.

If split parents require a second copy of your child's school report, please email our office and we will organise this for you.

Please see attached a list of wellbeing supports for families and children or visit [Wellbeing \(nsw.gov.au\)](https://www.wellbeing.nsw.gov.au)

Semester 2 reports

Reports are a celebration of achievement and guidance for future goals. Student reports will be sent home on Monday 11 December with your child. For those who are away on this day the report will be kept in the office for you to collect. If you wish to nominate a friend or grandparent to collect the report on your behalf, please email our office. Alternatively the report will be kept for your child to collect when school returns in January. Please note our office closes at 3:15p.m on 15 December.

P & C

I was fortunate to meet with the P & C executive on Tuesday to discuss a number of issues. We highly value our parent community and want your input and feedback. Parents are able to email the school directly to make a time to speak with staff or myself over any questions, ideas or feedback. Each P & C meeting there is also an 'open forum' time where you can ask me any general questions about the school or make suggestions. Please join us at the Annual General Meeting on Monday 20 November (see later in this newsletter). I will share important updates and school progress data and discuss plans for next year such as changes to BZIS (formerly PSSA). We are also looking for volunteers and parents to take on key roles. The P & C are very friendly and welcoming. It is a great forum to hear information directly from the Principal and connect with the school to benefit your child. New parents of students for 2024 are most welcome. I hope to see you on Monday night.

Important dates

As we move towards the end of the school year, there are many wonderful events for students and parents. Please ensure you check our parent planner on the website or link it to your google calendar. Reminders also appear at the start of this newsletter. Don't miss out!

15 December 2023 Last day of term for students (includes Year 6 farewell tunnel). Office closes at 3:15p.m

31 January 2024 Office opens 8:35-3:15p.m

1 February 2024 Students in Years 1-6 return

2 February 2024 9:05a.m New students in Year 1-6 begin. 10a.m Kinder students begin

5 February-9 February 2024 Kindergarten start at 10a.m each day

12 February Kinder students start at 9:05a.m



SCHOOL NEWS

Selective HS applications are closing!! If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2025, you need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email address).

Applications opened 9 October 2023 and **close on 20 November 2023**. **You must apply before the closing date.**

Please visit [Selective high schools – Year 7 \(nsw.gov.au\)](https://www.nsw.gov.au/selective-high-schools-year-7)

Please note the school CANNOT apply on your behalf. Selective Education Unit Email: ssu@det.nsw.edu.au
Phone: 1300 880 367

Presentation Day- Tuesday 5 December, 2023

- 9:15am- Years 3-6 Presentation Day Assembly (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6)
- 11:30am- Kindergarten Presentation Day Assembly (Kindergarten)
- 2:00pm- Stage 1 Presentation Day Assembly (Years 1 and 2)

Years 3-6 Assembly

- Class and special awards (Please see the Week 4 Newsletter for more information about the criteria for the awards)
- 2023 Student Leaders and House Captains recognition
- Year 6 students receive a graduation certificate
- Student Leaders and House Captains announced for 2024
- Concert Band and Senior Choir perform
- One parent of each award recipient would have already received the email informing them. These emails were sent yesterday (16.11.23). Please keep this award a surprise for your child. RSVP is via the google form link. Limit of 2 guests per award recipient. Please also check your junk folder to avoid disappointment.

Kindergarten Assembly

- All Kinder students will be presented with a graduation certificate at this assembly
- Kindergarten will perform
- One parent of each award recipient would have already received the email informing them. These emails were sent yesterday (16.11.23). RSVP is via the google form link. Limit of 2 guests per award recipient. Please also check your junk folder to avoid disappointment.

Stage 1 Assembly

- Class and special awards (Please see the Week 4 Newsletter for more information about the criteria for the awards)
- Stage 1 Choir performs
- One parent of each award recipient would have already received the email informing them. These emails were sent yesterday (16.11.23). Please keep this award a surprise for your child. RSVP is via the google form link. Limit of 2 guests per award recipient. Please also check your junk folder to avoid disappointment.

Grandparents and Remembrance Day





AWARD RECIPIENTS

PRINCIPAL AWARDS

Charlie 6B

READ WITH ME AWARDS

Rowan 5A
Narayani KS
Viaan KS

MERIT AWARDS

Chloe	1G	Grace	2C
Damon	1G	Lucas	2C
Jayden	1G	Abigail	2S
Nancy	1G	Erika	2S
Luke	1G	Juho	2S
Clementine	1M	Srikruthi	2S
Jackson	1M	Alyssa	KS
Kayla	1M	Lydia	KS
Lucy	1M	Viaan	KS
Sian	2-3L	Zoran	KS
Winston	2-3L	Ethan	KZ
Bella	2C		
Elaine	2C		



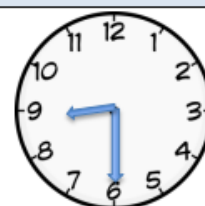
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EVERY MINUTE COUNTS....

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...
10 minutes a day	50 minutes of learning each week	Nearly 1½ weeks per year	Nearly ½ a year of school
20 minutes a day	1 hour and 40 minutes of learning each week	Nearly 2½ weeks per year	Nearly a year of school
½ hour a day	½ a day of learning a week	4 weeks a year	Nearly 1 ½ years of learning
1 hour each day	1 whole day of learning each week	8 weeks per year or nearly a term a year.	Over 2 ½ years of learning

Your child's best learning time is at the beginning of the day...

**Check the time
your school
starts.
DON'T BE LATE!**



Dear Parent and community helper volunteers

In appreciation for all your help throughout the year
you are warmly invited to a

'Thank You' morning tea
to be held on

8 December from 10-11a.m
in the Hall COLA

We look forward to seeing you there!

From the staff of Epping Heights Public School



Please RSVP for catering purposes by returning this slip to the office box or email the school epplights-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Helper's name: _____ Child's class: _____ or N/A

- ☐ Yes, I will be attending the helpers' morning tea.
- ☐ No, I am unable to attend the helper's morning tea.

EPHING HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL PARENTS & CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

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2023 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

EHPS P&C cordially invites all parents and carers to the **2023 Annual General Meeting** to be held virtually via Zoom on **Monday, 20th November 2023 from 7:00 PM - 7:45 PM.**

Agenda for the AGM:

- ◆ Welcome and Apologies
- ◆ Minutes of 2022 AGM
- ◆ Presentation of annual reports of all past year's activities by the current P&C President, Treasurer and head of committees
- ◆ Elections for 2024 office bearers and representatives
- ◆ Amendments to the constitution/membership fees, if applicable
- ◆ Closing

November General Meeting

The AGM will be followed by the November general meeting, from **7:45 PM - 8:30 PM.**

Agenda for the November General Meeting:

- ◆ Welcome and Apologies
- ◆ Minutes of October GM
- ◆ Introducing the newly elected members at the AGM
- ◆ Voting on the expenditures requested to the P&C; the motion for which was passed in the Special Meeting on 9th November 2023
- ◆ Introducing the P&C structure for 2024 - new functions and roles
- ◆ A briefing of P&C plans for 2024
- ◆ Budget for 2024
- ◆ Any other business and questions

Zoom Login Details:

Topic: EHPS P&C AGM 2023 + November General Meeting

Date: 20-Nov-2023

Time: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86537747019?pwd=d1lrZ25DLzF0UEFPU3V5UGNCT3N2dz09>

Meeting ID: 865 3774 7019

Passcode: 859897

*** Please note that all P&C meetings are open to all parents and carers who wish to attend, however only financial members have the right to vote and/or nominate for vacant positions.*

Request for Nominations for P&C Positions 2024

On the evening of the AGM the roles of all current office bearers and the sub committee heads will be declared vacant. We invite all interested parents and guardians to consider nominating themselves or fellow parents for the following P&C positions:

Office bearers:

- ◆ President
- ◆ Vice President (2)
- ◆ Secretary
- ◆ Treasurer

Sub-Committees:

- ◆ School Lunch Service Coordinator
- ◆ Uniform Shop Coordinator
- ◆ Scholastic Book Club Coordinator
- ◆ Events & Fundraising Coordinator
- ◆ Class Parents Coordinator
- ◆ Volunteers Coordinator
- ◆ Community Relations Officer

To nominate yourself or someone else, please provide the following information:

1. Full Name of the Nominee
2. Position for Nomination
3. Contact Information (email and/or phone number)

All nominations should be submitted to the Secretary via email at ehps.p.n.c@gmail.com by 19th November 2023 midnight. The election process will take place during the AGM on 20th November 2023. We encourage all financial members to participate in the voting process to help determine our P&C leadership for 2024.

If you have any questions or need further information regarding the positions, please feel free to speak to any of our current position holders or contact us at ehps.p.n.c@gmail.com. Some basic information on the roles & responsibilities of the office bearers is also available on the link:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1UGI0cc0yBVlv3GFF6jVvoIYDKaT-VcCf?usp=sharing>

We look forward to working together to make 2024 a successful and enriching year for our children and school community.

Book Club

Final order for this year!!!

Book Club Issue 8 Due Date - Thursday 30th November 2023 at 10 PM

PARENT HELPERS NEEDED TO KEEP FREE DELIVERY HAPPENING AT SCHOOL

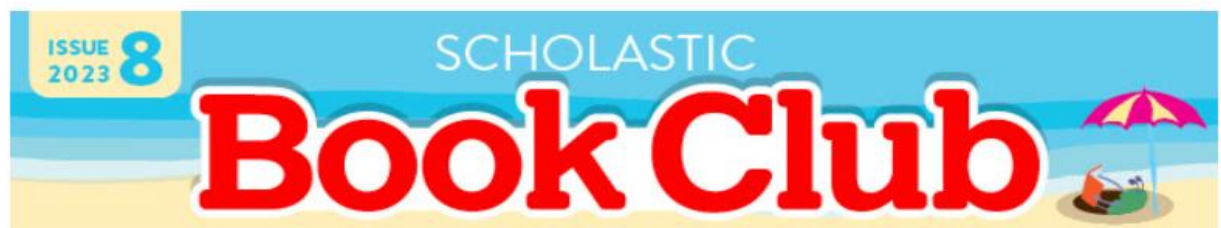
Book Club only happens twice a term. More helpers are needed for **Monday morning** unpacking **from 9:05am to 9:40am**. If you can kindly lend a hand, please email eppingheights.bookclub@gmail.com and I will let you know the exact date when Book Club needs your help. You don't need to come every time.

Issue 8 Catalogue - It has been sent home with your child, and here is the link to a PDF copy: <https://www.scholastic.com.au/book-club/book-club-parents/book-club/>

How To Order – Please use Book Club **LOOP** for ordering. You can download the free LOOP App on your phone or go to www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP to order and pay. LOOP ordering will remain open until 10 pm on the due date. No cash orders are accepted.

All Scholastic Book Club orders earn 15% back in rewards points for the school to purchase books for students such as *Read With Me*. If you would like to place an order, please do so by the due date.

Jackie Kim & Ye-Na Lee
Book Club Coordinator



It's nearly a wrap for 2023!

Book Club Issue 8 is now open and arriving at your school. It's full of books to spark **magic** and **joy** in students so they read more for fun, including

- Christmas and Holiday Gift Ideas
- Hot New Releases
- Over 350 Summer Reading Ideas
- Big Savings on Packs
- \$3 Value Books and much, much more!

Use the handy resources below to get the word out about Book Club and encourage reading in your school community.



NEW!

Discover even more with
Scholastic **BOOKSPLUS**
in the catalogue!

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Explore additional content for
select books to get a greater
insight into the story, characters
and creators.



SCHOLASTIC **Book Club**

ACCESS, CHOICE and PRACTICE


Scholastic strives to connect children with the books they will love to read. Enhancing their experience when accessing and selecting books increases the chance of choices that lead to their reading enjoyment and practice.



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Scanning the QR code will access additional content
for the book including greater insight into the story,
characters and creators.



THE **LATEST TITLES** ON **BOOKSPLUS** 

See overleaf for **QR Codes**

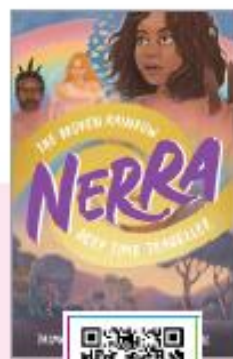
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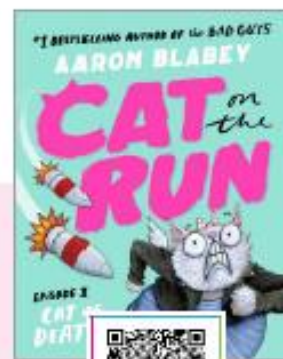
Scan the QR codes below to access additional content for each book.



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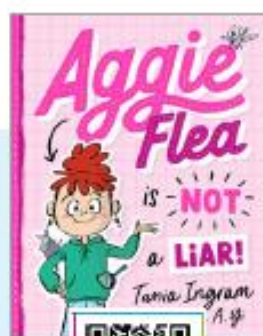
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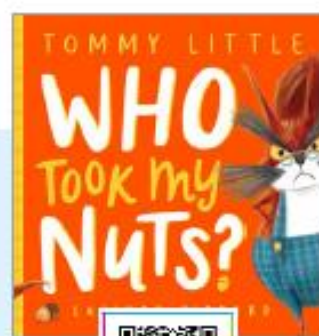
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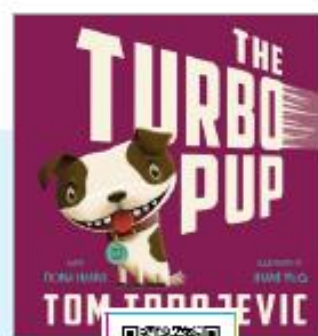
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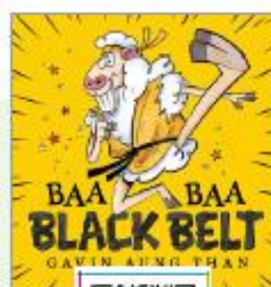
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We would love to hear what you think works and what else we could provide as part of BooksPlus.

Email us your feedback:

BookClub_Feedback@scholastic.com.au

We want to keep improving how we encourage and support reading. We want to keep listening to you and all the amazing schools that partner with us.

Your Scholastic Reading Team

 SCHOLASTIC

joy to the world...

Epping Heights

Carols 2023

Friday Dec 1st

Join us for a fun night of
festive singing and music with
our school bands, school choirs,
and EHPS year groups!

5:30pm arrival & picnic

Carols will begin @ 6pm

BYO Food & Picnic Rugs

or pre-order

Hot Dinner Packs

Menu & Ordering on Qkr

Order ASAP by Nov 29th 7:30am


pre-order only! Limited availability!

Many thanks to our sponsor

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community



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We need you!


Volunteers needed for Carols Night

Assistance needed in roles such
as set up, pack up, welcoming,
stagehands, first aid, etc...

Sign Up:

<https://tinyurl.com/EHPSCarols2023>

Thank you!



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Epping Heights

Carols Dinner

Friday Dec 1st 5:30pm

Chicken Nuggets

Fried Rice (VG, GF)

Sweet & Sour Pork

Mongolian Beef


Creamy Cheesy Chicken Pasta

PRE-ORDER ONLY!

Order on Qkr

Order ASAP by Nov 29th 7:30am

Limited Availability! Don't miss out!



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Can you help?

EHPS Carols 2023

Sing in your heart language!

We'd love groups of kids & adults to sing one chorus of the classic 'We Wish You a Merry Christmas' in their own language as a finale for carols night Fri Dec 1st.

No musical experience necessary.

If you are interested or want more information, please email:

ehpscarols@gmail.com

joy to the world...

Calling all EHPS artists...
Can you create some

Christmas Snow Globe Clip Art?

The Carols committee is seeking submissions of
Christmas Snow Globe Clip Art to feature in our
2023 Carols program.

How to take part:

Draw a Christmas or musical scene or Christmas or
musical item inside a small snow globe.

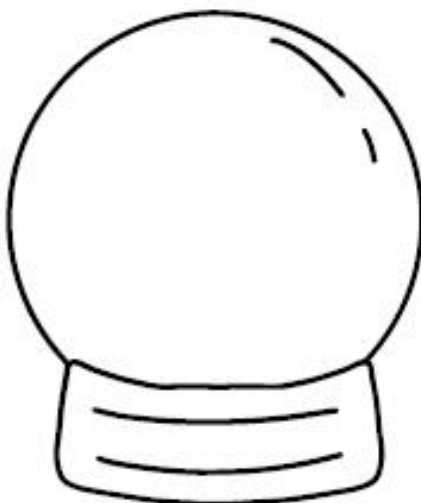
Scan and Submit to:

ehpscarols@gmail.com

MUST be BLACK & WHITE!

Tip: use a black pen (not pencil)

Snow Globe Outline:



Final Submissions: **Nov 17th!** Don't miss out!